

Exodus 24:12-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone with the law and commandments I have written for their instruction." Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and Moses went up on the mountain of God. He said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we come back to you. Aaron and Hur are with you, and anyone involved in a dispute can go to them." When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the LORD called to Moses from within the cloud. To the Israelites the glory of the LORD looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain. Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Matthew 17:1-9

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

## WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH

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*Who is this Jesus?*



*Good  
Morning and  
welcome to  
Zion's Reformed  
Church!*

We welcome Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison to the pulpit today. We also welcome Don Curtis who will provide the service music. Thank you both for being here!

The Altar Flowers are in memory of Chester H. and Marion Donner, by their family.

Ushering today are Linda Henry, Sherry Winner, Lori Tofani, and Linda Allison.

The children are invited to the Youth Center after Word for the Family for an activity.

Everyone is invited to Fisher Hall after the service for The Fasnacht Dinner and Basket Raffle.

Large Print Bulletins and seat cushions are available in the back of the sanctuary. Coloring books and crayons are available for children.

**FREE CONCERT AT THIEL COLLEGE**

Thiel College invites you to attend a free concert featuring the Beijing Guitar Duo, the featured ensemble for the winter Con Spirito Concert Series concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 21, 2023 in the David Johnson Memorial Chapel on the Thiel College campus. Praised by the distinguished *Classical Guitar Magazine* as "having the star potential to serve as inspiration for new generations of guitarists to come," the Beijing Guitar Duo made their New York debut in Carnegie Hall in 2010 and launched their international concert career.

**UCC REACHING OUT TO TURKEY AND SYRIA**

A message from UCC Giving concerning the earthquake on the border of Turkey and Syria..... At this time, we are issuing an appeal to help recovery efforts in Turkey and Syria. If you would like make a financial contribution, please mark "earthquake" on your check or envelope and place it in the offering plate.

**A BIG THANK YOU.....**

to all those who helped at the church or at Greenville Elementary School for the Backpack Program last week. Good job!

**A LENTEN DEVOTIONAL**

As a gift to the congregation, Rev. Tim Morrison has written a Lenten Devotional to use during Lent. Copies are available on the table outside the office. Please help yourself and feel free to take extra copies to share with friends or relatives.

**MINISTER SCHEDULE**

February 26, March 19 and 26: Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison

March 5: Rev. Glenn Sadler

March 12: Rev. David Ackerman, PWC Minister

FASNACHT DINNER AND BASKET RAFFLE  
TODAY!

On the menu: pork and sauerkraut, plain pork with gravy, mashed potatoes, applesauce, bread/butter, German Chocolate cake and Kugel Pudding.

And, get your tickets for the basket raffle! Proceeds will support Re-Member at Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.



The Ash Wednesday service is this Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary. The service will be led by Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison and will include Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes.

**ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison**

**Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries**

*\*Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able.*

February 19, 2023 10:30 a.m.

*Where the past and the future with Jesus Christ are celebrated so the present can be lived abundantly.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Betsy Fischer, Lector

THE SOLEMN DECLARATION

Leader: And now may we prepare our hearts and minds for worship as we are gathered in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

THE ENTRANCE OF LIGHT

Sophie Powell, Acolyte

*~Please use prelude time for thought, reflection and prayer~*

PRELUDE "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" J. S. Bach

\*GATHERING SONG "Glorify Thy Name" (bulletin page 6)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God of love, in the light of the sunrise,

**People: we behold your glory.**

Leader: In the light of the stars at night,

**People: we behold your mystery.**

Leader: In the light in each other's eyes,

**People: we behold your presence.**

**ALL: Let us worship God.**

\*OPENING HYMN NO. 182

"We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

Leader: We come before God well aware of our shortcomings.

**People: We come before God knowing that God is gracious and forgiving.**

Leader: We come with open hearts, trusting in God.

**People: As one voice we come before God to confess and to be made whole.**

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of light, let the dawn of your mercy rise upon all that is unseen in the nighttime of our hearts, that we may see ourselves in the light of your love. What is shadowed by guilt or shame, enlighten with your grace. What is hidden in gloom bring into your light. By the light of Christ, the Sun of Mercy, may your grace shine in our hearts.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: God has hidden God's face from our sin.

**People: God has blotted out all of our iniquity.**

Leader: In Christ and his cross, God has created within us a clean heart and renewed a right spirit within us.

**People: We are not cast away from God's presence. We are restored to the joy of God's salvation.**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE "Gloria Patri"**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.**

*~before you sit down, please greet someone near you~*

WORD FOR THE FAMILY "A Favorite Book"

SPECIAL MUSIC "Abide With Me" Arr. Robert A. Hobby  
Don Curtis, Organ

Refrain A E/A A D Bm A/C# Bm/D B7/D# E

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;

A E/A A D Bm A/C# Bm/D Bm G Esus E

blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

A E/A A D Bm A/C# Bm/D B7/D# E

Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;

A E/A A D Bm A/C# Bm/D E7 A D/A

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

1, 2 Final ending E/A D/A A D/A A

## Shine, Jesus, Shine

Unison

A D/A A E/A

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing,  
 2 Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence,  
 3 As we gaze on your king - ly bright - ness,

A D/A A E/A D E/D

in the midst of the dark - ness shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the  
 from the shad - ows in - to your ra - di - ance; by the blood I may  
 so our fac - es dis - play your like - ness; ev - er chang - ing from

C#m F#m D E/D C#m F#m

world, shine up - on us, set us free by the truth you now bring us,  
 en - ter your bright - ness, search me, try me, con - sume all my dark - ness,  
 glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell your sto - ry,

G Esus E G Esus E

shine on me, shine on me.  
 shine on me, shine on me.  
 shine on me, shine on me.

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## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## PRAYER RESPONSE

**Hear our prayer O Lord, hear our prayer O Lord.  
 Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace. Amen.**

\*HYMN "Tell Me The Stories of Jesus" (bulletin page 7)

SCRIPTURES Hebrew Lesson Exodus 24:12-18 (back of bulletin)  
 Gospel Lesson Matthew 17:1-9 (back of bulletin)

SERMON "New Players in the Old, Old Story"

## OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND SHEEP FUND OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "I Stand at the Threshold" Bach, Arr. Biggs

\*Doxology No. 780

\*Unison Prayer of Dedication

**Almighty God, we thank you that you are the light of the world, and that you guide our steps on your path. We recognize everything we have belongs to you. We acknowledge that our very lives belong to you. We now offer back to you a portion of what you have given us. Receive us and these our gifts that all may be used to your glory.**

\*CLOSING HYMN "Shine, Jesus Shine" (bulletin pages 8 & 9)

\*THE BENEDICTION and TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*THE POSTLUDE "Trumpet Voluntary" Gordon Young

# Glorify Thy Name

C F/C C G7 F/G G7 C2 C Em7 C/E

2 Je - sus, we love you, we wor-ship and a - dore you, glo - ri - fy thy

F C/G F/A Gsus G C F

name in all the earth; glo - ri - fy thy name,

E7sus D2/F# E7/G# Am F G/F F/A G7sus G7 F/A G7 F/C C

glo - ri - fy thy name, glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth.

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# Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

... I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus . . . —Philippians 3:8

William H. Parker

STORIES OF JESUS  
 Frederic A. Challinor

*Unison or duet*

1 Tell me the sto - ries of Je - sus I love to hear;  
 2 *First let me hear how the chil - dren Stood 'round His knee,*  
 3 In - to the cit - y I'd fol - low The chil - dren's band,

1 Things I would ask Him to tell me If He were here:  
 2 *I shall im - ag - ine His bless - ing Rest - ing on me;*  
 3 Wav - ing a branch of the palm - tree High in my hand;

1 Scenes by the way - side, Tales of the sea,  
 2 *Words full of kind - ness, Deeds full of grace,*  
 3 One of His her - als, Yes, I would sing

1 Sto - ries of Je - sus, Tell them to me.  
 2 *All in the bright - ness Of Je - sus' face.*  
 3 Loud - est ho - san - nas, "Je - sus is King!"